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Dear Harold,

I understand from a recent conversation with Sylvia Meagher that you are concerned of the potential misuse of recently released information from the archives by "Critics".

No doubt your apprehensions are fully justified but the efforts of all but a few "Critics" belong to the realm of delusion, quackery, or morbid self interest. Your work represents

an important contribution to historical scholarship on the level of Zola and the great American "Muckrakers".

A lion should not concern himself with gnats.

Sincerely,

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